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SUBJECT: NAMIBIA: NEW CLASHES IN OVAMBO

1. ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS, THE SOUTH WEST AFRICAN COMMAND HAS ISSUED A STATEMENT AUGUST 10 REPORTING THAT THREE BORDER VIOLATIONS HAD OCCURRED IN OVAMBO IN THE PREVIOUS 24 HOURS. THE STATEMENT SAID THAT TWO OF THE THREE INCIDENTS HAD LED TO CONTACT BETWEEN SECURITY FORCES AND INSURGENTS ON THE CUT-LINE BORDER BETWEEN SOUTH WEST AFRICA AND ANGOLA. IN THESE TWO INCIDENTS, THE SECURITY FORCES HAD SUCCEEDED IN COUNTERING THE INSURGENTS WHO WERE COMING FROM THEIR CAMPS IN ANGOLA AND IN DRIVING THEM BACK ACROSS THE BORDER. NO CASUALTIES WERE REPORTED ON THE SIDE OF THE SECURITY FORCES.

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IN THE THIRD INCIDENT, A VEHICLE OF THE SECURITY FORCES STRUCK A "RUSSIAN MADE" LANDMINE. THE VEHICLE WAS SEVERELY DAMAGED BUT ITS PASSENGERS WERE UNINJURED.

2. MEANWHILE, DEFENSE MINISTER, P.W. BOTHA, WHO RECENTLY RETURNED FROM A VISIT TO THE OPERATIONAL AREA REPORTEDLY TOLD A PUBLIC POLITICAL MEETING IN BRITS (NEAR PRETORIA) THAT SOUTH

AFRICAN FORCES WOULD REMAIN IN SOUTH WEST AFRICA UNTIL A VISIBLE
PEACE HAD BEEN ESTABLISHED. ACCORDING TO THE PRESS THE MINISTER
ALSO SAID THAT SOUTH AFRICA WOULD DO EVERYTHING IN HER POWER
NOT TO DISTURB THE CURRENT PROGRESS IN THE TERRITORY'S
INDEPENDENCE NEGOTIATIONS.
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